Fair Political Practices Commission Memorandum

To: Chairman Johnson, Commissioners Hodson, Huguenin, Leidigh, and Remy

From: Michael B. Salerno, Executive Director

Subject: Executive Director's Report

Date: May 7, 2008

This is a summary of administrative activity and other matters since the report sent to you prior to the last Commission meeting.

PERSONNEL

Amanda Saxton, Chief of Enforcement, has tendered her resignation and reported she will leave state service. We thank her for her contributions to the Commission and wish her well in her future endeavors.

Kourtney Vaccaro, Assistant Chief of Enforcement, will serve as the acting Chief of Enforcement.

Jesse Mainardi, Commission Counsel with the Enforcement Division, has left the Commission to accept a position with a private law firm.

STAFF PROJECTS

Technical Assistance Seminars:

On April 3, 2008, Trish Mayer provided training for new candidates in Orange County.

Adrianne Korchmaros conducted campaign training workshops in San Jose on April 16, 2008, as requested by the City of San Jose, and in Hollister on April 23, 2008, as requested by San Benito County.

On April 24, 2008, Tara Stock and Barbara Smith provided training to the new city clerk in La Puente.

Legal Division

On May 8, 2008, attorneys John W. Wallace, Bill Lenkeit, Emelyn Rodriguez, and Val Joyce took part in the California League of Cities annual training for city attorneys. The attorneys presented training on conflicts of interest under the Political Reform Act.

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODES

Pursuant to Section 87300 of the Government Code and Commission Regulation 18750.1, state and multi-county agencies seeking to adopt or substantively amend a conflict-of-interest code must submit the proposed code to the Commission for review and approval. The Technical Assistance Division has reviewed and, since the last agenda, I have approved the following conflict of interest codes:

Code Amendment

(New positions, changed disclosure categories)

Access Services Incorporated
California Conservation Corps
Department of Motor Vehicles
North Valley Schools Insurance Group
Special District Risk Management Authority
Kings River Conservation District
Turlock Irrigation District
Roseville Joint Union High School District
Chaffey Joint Union High School District

Adoption

Riverside County Employer/Employee Partnership for Benefits

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF COMMITTEE TERMINATION

Friends of Mark Wyland (ID No. 990712). A request for extension of termination deadline was granted on April 14, 2008.

Lieber for Assembly (ID No. 1231660). A request for extension of termination deadline was granted on April 28, 2008.

Steve Bradford for the 51st Assembly District 2006 (ID No. 1266579). A request for extension of termination deadline was granted on April 28, 2008.

Friends of Joe Dunn (ID No. 1279896). A request for extension of termination deadline was granted on May 6, 2008.

Consumers for Tom Umberg (ID No. 1235879). A request for extension of termination deadline was granted on May 6, 2008.

REQUEST TO RE-OPEN COMMITTEE

Re-Elect Assemblywoman Carole Migden 1998 (ID No. 962662). A request to re-open campaign committee was granted on April 4, 2008, for the 30-day period requested.